ROCHESTER'S PATH OF TOTALITY AWESOME

TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE GUIDE

Celebrating the total solar eclipse at the Rochester Museum and Science Center

WELCOME TO ROCHESTER AND MONROE COUNTY!

We're delighted to welcome you to our beautiful region for the 2024 Total Solar Eclipse.

Monroe County is the anchor of the Greater Rochester, New York region, which is home to almost 1.2 million residents. We are known for our technological innovation, vibrant arts and culture, exceptional quality of life, and rich history.

Our cultural, historical, and natural assets are some of the best in the world. Only in Rochester can you stand in the home of one of the world's greatest inventors at the George Eastman Museum; visit a 96 ft. waterfall in the center of the city; pay your respects to two of the country's most dedicated civil rights leaders (Susan B. Anthony and Frederick Douglass) at Mt. Hope Cemetery; and explore the toys of your childhood at The National Toy Hall of Fame at The Strong National Museum of Play.

We hope that you enjoy your time in Rochester and Monroe County for the Total Solar Eclipse—a once-in-a-lifetime occasion! Within this guide you will find resources designed to help you find where to eat, what to see and do while you're in the area, and even a few reasons to plan a return visit to the Greater Rochester region.

Enjoy your visit.

Monroe County Executive
Adam Bello

Don Jeffries, President & CEO, Visit Rochester

Visit Rochester Visitor Center
45 East Avenue, Suite 400,
Rochester, NY 14604
585-379-8300

Eclipse Weekend Hours
April 6 & 7 10AM-4PM
April 8 9AM- 5PM

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LIMITLESS

TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE 101

Answers to some of the most frequently asked eclipse questions, including important information on eclipse viewing safety.

What is a total solar eclipse?

A solar eclipse happens when the moon passes between the sun and the earth, blocking some or all of the sun to earth's surface.

How do you safely view an eclipse?

It is important to never look directly at the sun at any time, including during the partial phases of an eclipse. You also should not look into a mirror at a reflected image of the sun.

During the partial phases before and after totality, you must use ISO-certified solar filter glasses, or project the sun's image onto some surface using a pinhole

projector. It is very important to only use solar filter viewers (e.g. eclipse glasses) ISO-certified and purchased through a reputable source. Many eclipse events in the Rochester area include a pair of glasses with ticket purchase, but it is important to have a plan on how you will be safely viewing the eclipse before you arrive to an event. It is safe to look directly at the sun without viewing equipment during totality (which here in Rochester will last for approximately three minutes and 38 seconds).

When was the last eclipse in Rochester?

Rochester's last total solar eclipse was on January 24, 1925.

When is the next one?

There will not be another total solar eclipse in Rochester until 2144. So it is safe to say, viewing the eclipse here in Rochester is truly a once-in-a-lifetime experience!

ECLIPSE EVENTS

Want to view the solar eclipse at the Red Wings baseball field? Or maybe the art museum's viewing party is more your speed. Whether you're celebrating this celestial event with family, friends, or that special someone there's a variety of events to choose from on April 8 and the days before and after. Get ready to enjoy all that Rochester has to offer!

Many of these events are ticketed. Please check with event organizers in advance for ticket prices and availability.

Scan the QR code for up-to-date event information:

CELEBRATIONS & FESTIVALS

April 1–8
Solar Spectacular
The Strong National Museum of Play
Join The Strong for a week-long eclipse celebration looking at space through the lens of play. Discover space-themed toys, play electronic games based in space and go hands-on with a variety of activities and crafts that are out-of-this world.

April 5–8
Eclipse Weekend at the Seneca Park Zoo
Seneca Park Zoo
Eclipse Weekend will feature a range of on-site activities, all included with Zoo admission.

Solar Spectacle: A Total Solar Eclipse At GCV&M
Genesee Country Village & Museum
Experience totality in a 19th-century Historic Village – plus three days of celestial celebrations leading up to the eclipse. Ticketed viewing options include a private historic building rental, drive-in or festival grounds hospitality packages.

April 6
Eclipse Sip & Shop Market
Essex Rochester
An eclipse-themed market from 11a.m.–5 p.m.
Free admission.

April 6–8
ROC the Eclipse Festival
Rochester Museum & Science Center
This is three-day festival filled with hands-on activities, speakers, live entertainment, eclipse merch, food trucks, and more. Activities include continuous showings of "Eclipse 2024!" at the RMSC Strasenburgh Planetarium, Electricity Theater shows, solar telescope viewing, Science on a Sphere 3D, science experiments, and more.

Focus, Click, Totality!
George Eastman Museum
This three-day program includes eclipse-related photographs and pinhole cameras from the museum's collection, eclipse-themed live organ music, eclipse-themed films screened in the museum's historic Dryden Theatre, and more.

April 7
RPO Eclipse Spectacular: A Symphonic Celebration
Blue Cross Arena
For the first time, the RPO will perform at Blue Cross Arena for a space themed extravaganza featuring movie music masterpieces, laser light show, and performances by Rochester City Ballet and aerialists Troupe Vertigo.

April 8
Alpacalipse "24"
Lazy Acre Alpacas
Experience the eclipse at an Alpaca farm. Bring chairs and blankets, and prepare to view the eclipse on a working alpaca farm. Food and drink will be available.

Arrowhead Solar Eclipse Party
Arrowhead Golf Course & Marina
Ticket includes paid parking, eclipse glasses and access to open spaces.

Blackout Total Eclipse 2024
Blackfriars Theatre
An outdoor event with food and drinks (purchased separately) and a big-screen viewing of Mel Brooks's Spaceballs.

Dark Side of the Farm
Stokoe Farms
Enjoy a full day of fun, activities, animals and more. The farm will be open the weekend days leading up to the eclipse.

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Ganondagan State Historic Site
View the eclipse from the grounds of the only NYS historic Historic Site dedicated to a Native American theme.

Party in the Dark: An Eclipse Watch Event
Parcel 5
Free event in downtown Rochester with food, drink and NASA live stream. Vendors, fire pits and activities.

Rochester Red Wings Solarpalooza Viewing Party
Innovative Field
Festivities include live music, family-friendly activities, appearances by team mascots Spikes and Mittsy and Rochester Red Wings players.

Soleil Soirée: Eclipse Viewing Party
Memorial Art Gallery
Enjoy the eclipse at the museum, including the MAG's outdoor sculpture park. Expect eclipse merch, live music, and more.

Soltality Music Festival
Ledgedale Airpark
The festival will showcase a lineup of 5 to 6 bands, several food trucks, local brewery tent, art vendors, and a viewing deck for those with telescopes.

Total Eclipse of the Park
Town of Perinton
Visit the Perinton Community Center and find food trucks, music and a family fun pass, with access to bounce houses, indoor swimming and eclipse glasses.

Total Eclipse of the Port
SUNY Brockport
This event is on campus at the Eunice Kennedy Shriver Stadium. The eclipse centerline will pass directly over the stadium, leaving Brockport in totality for longer than areas outside of the centerline.

Total Eclipse ROC's The Market
Rochester Public Market
Laughing Gull Chocolates and Rohrbach Brewing Company are coming together, along with the City of Rochester, to throw a free and inclusive public event at the Rochester Public Market.

ACCESSIBILITY-FOCUSED EVENTS

April 8
Al Sigl Total Eclipse Accessible Experience
Al Sigl Center
The Al Sigl campus provides an accessible viewing area with designated outdoor space for wheelchairs and other equipment to park and view on a level surface. Outdoor accessible restrooms will be available.

Solar Harvest
Homesteads for Hope Community Farm
This event will offer activities for all ages and abilities.

Total Eclipse of the Park:
Hosted by South East Area Coalition
Genesee Valley Field House
Our celebration delves into life in darkness beyond 4 minutes. Millions face occlusion daily. Join us for hands-on activities like light sound box interpretation, tactile exhibits, space science talks, audio darts, tandem biking, guide training, beep baseball, tactile map-making, audio description, free tax prep, and 3D printing. All abilities welcome.

Solar eclipse at RMSC

CHEERS! ROCHESTER BREWERIES TEAM UP FOR ECLIPSE BEER SERIES

It's no secret that Rochester is a beer town. So, what better way for Rochester to mark the 2024 Total Solar Eclipse than with three of the city's top breweries teaming up for a special eclipse beer series.

That's exactly what happened when Rohrbach Brewing (Rochester's first craft brewery est. in 1991), approached other Rochester breweries Three Heads and Strangebird Brewing for a celestial collaboration. The end product? A series of three beers crafted just for the 2024 eclipse: Totality (Rohrbach's, Black Lager), The Lighter Side (Strangebird, Barrel-Lagered Helles) and The Darker Side (Three Heads Brewing, Steam-Style Lager). This unique collaboration explores the phases of a solar eclipse with a "lighter side" helles, "darker side" steam-style lager, and a "totality" black lager.

- All three beers are available at brewery locations and select stores, including Wegmans. Breweries will have some merchandise for purchase such as commemorative glassware and apparel.

- Rohrbach Brewery Beer Hall (97 Railroad St.) will host an Eclipse Week with all three beers on tap as well as eclipse-inspired food and cocktail specials. The beer hall will be open Wednesday–Saturday (open Monday 2 p.m.–8 p.m. for the eclipse festival at the Rochester Public Market).

- Rohrbach Buffalo Road (3859 Buffalo Rd.) will also have a viewing celebration Sunday in their newly-built outdoor beer garden.

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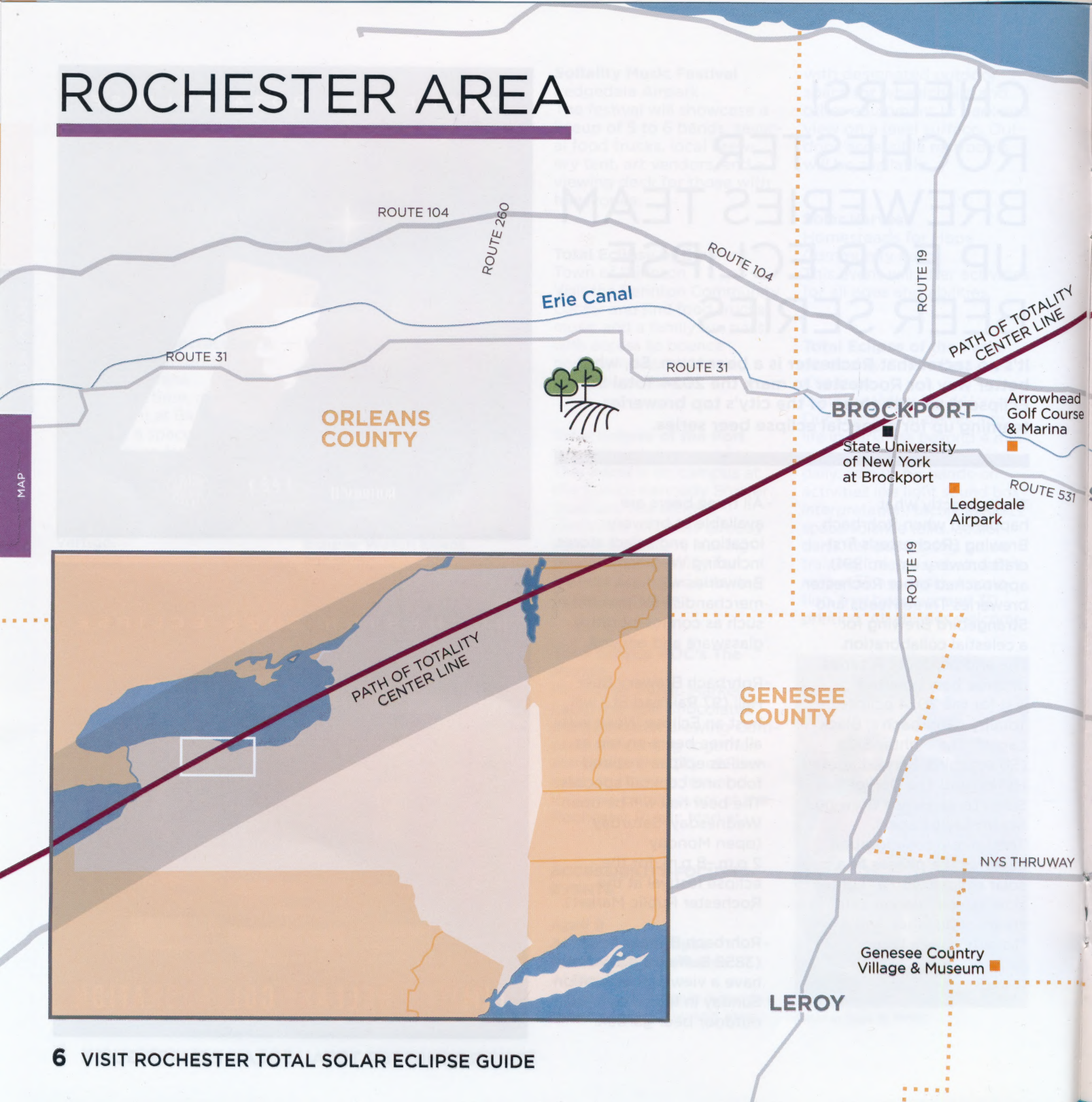

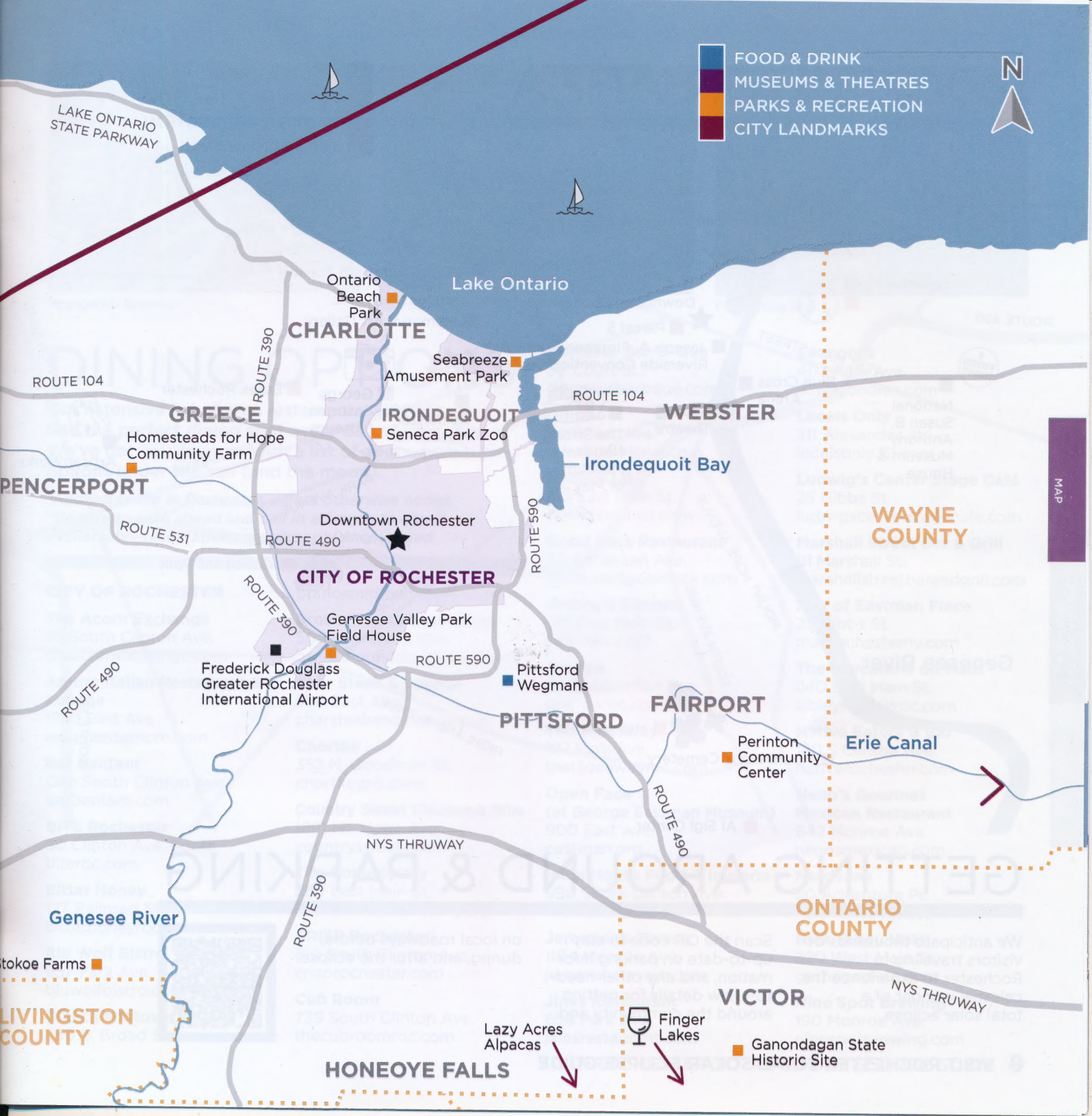
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CHARLOTTE
ROUTE 390
Seabreeze Amusement Park
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WEBSTER
Homesteads for Hope Community Farm
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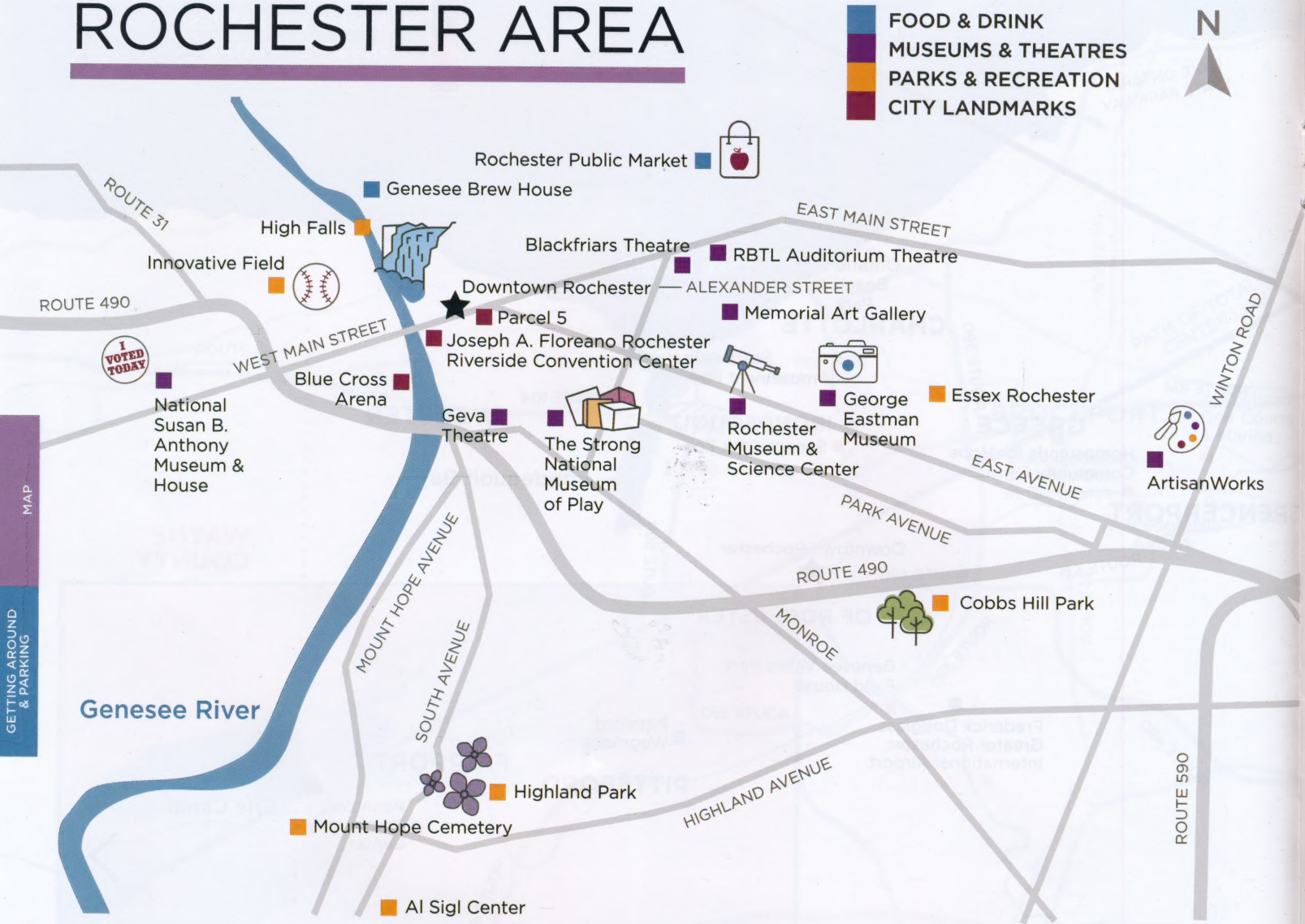


GETTING AROUND & PARKING

We anticipate thousands of visitors traveling to Rochester to experience the celestial wonder of a total solar eclipse.

Scan the QR code to stay up-to-date on parking information, and any other need-to-know details for getting around the community and on local roadways before, during, and after the eclipse.

Strangebird Brewing

Branca Midtown

Flight Wine Bar

DINING OPTIONS

Our extensive list of area restaurants will help you find the perfect dining spot every day of your stay. We've got you covered with a list of all the best dining options under the sun (and the moon).

***Addresses are in Rochester, unless otherwise noted.**
***Be sure to plan ahead and call in advance to check availability—reservations are strongly encouraged.**

CITY OF ROCHESTER

The Acorn Exchange
75 South Clinton Ave.
theacornexchange.com

Amore Italian Restaurant & Lounge
1750 East Ave.
wegmansamore.com

Bar Bantam
One South Clinton Ave.
barbantam.com

BITE Rochester
90 Clinton Ave. South
biteroc.com

Bitter Honey
127 Railroad St.
bitterhoneyroc.com

Blu Wolf Bistro
657 Park Ave.
bluwolfbistro.com

Branca Midtown
280 E. Broad St.
brancamidtown.com

Brown Hound Downtown
500 University Ave.
brownhounddowntown.com

Char Steak & Lounge
550 East Ave.
charsteakandlounge.com

Chortke
352 N. Goodman St.
chortkegrill.com

Country Sweet Chicken & Ribs
1691 Mt. Hope Ave.
countrysweet.com

The Commissary
250 East Main St.
rochestercommissary.org

CRISP Rochester
819 South Clinton Ave.
crisprochester.com

Cub Room
739 South Clinton Ave.
thecubroomroc.com

Dinosaur Bar-B-Que
99 Court St.
dinosaurbarbque.com

Dorado
690 Park Ave.
doradoparkave.com

Drifters LB
155 East Main St.
driftersmainst.com

Good Luck Restaurant
50 Anderson Ave.
restaurantgoodluck.com

Granny's Kitchen
581 East Main St.
585-481-2727

Grappa
30 Celebration Dr.
grapparoc.com

The Hideaway
197 Park Ave.
thehideawayroc.com

Open Face (at George Eastman Museum)
900 East Ave.
eastman.org

India House Food & Imports
998 South Clinton Ave.
indiahouse.com

Jeremiah's Tavern
1104 Monroe Ave.
jeremiahstavern.com

Jines Restaurant
658 Park Ave.
jinesrestaurant.com

Leonore's
403 Park Ave.
iloveleonores.com

Locals Only
311 Alexander St.
localsonly311.com

Ludwig's Center Stage Café
25 Gibbs St.
ludwigscenterstagecafe.com

Marshall Street Bar & Grill
81 Marshall St.
marshallstreetbarandgrill.com

Max of Eastman Place
25 Gibbs St.
maxrochesterny.com

The Mercantile on Main
240 East Main St.
sibleysquareroc.com

Native Eatery & Bar
180 S Clinton Ave.
nativerochester.com

Neno's Gourmet Mexican Restaurant
642 Monroe Ave.
nenosmexican.com

Nerdvana
50 Adventure Pl.
nerdvanabytes.com

Nick Tahou Hots
320 West Main St.
garbageplate.com

Nine Spot Brewing
190 Monroe Ave.
ninespotbrewing.com

Velvet Belly

Abbott's Frozen Custard

Salena's Mexican Restaurant

Owl House
75 Marshall St.
owlhouserochester.com

Ox and Stone
282 Alexander St.
oxandstone.com

Pane Vino on the River
175 N. Water St.
panevinorochester.com

Park Avenue Pub
650 Park Ave.
parkavepub.com

Peppa Pot
522 East Main St.
eatatpeppapot.com

Petit Poutinerie
44 Elton St.
lepetitpoutine.com

Playhouse/Swillburger
820 South Clinton Ave.
theplayhouseroc.com

Public Provisions
45 Public Market
public-provisions.com

Radio Social
20 Carlson Rd.
radio-social.com

Recreo
350 East Ave.
recreo350.com

The Revelry
1290 University Ave.
therevelryroc.com

Roux
688 Park Ave.
rouxparkave.com

Salena's Mexican Restaurant
302 N. Goodman St.
salenas.com

Swan Dive
289 Alexander St.
swandiveroc.com

Tapas 177
177 St. Paul St.
tapas177.com

Tournedos Restaurant
26 Broadway
innonbroadway.com/tournedos

TRATA - The Restaurant at the Armory
145 Culver Rd.
tratarochester.com

Velvet Belly
3 Public Market
velvet-belly.com

Veneto Wood Fired Pizza & Pasta
318 East Ave.
venetorestaurant.com

Vern's
696 Park Ave.
iloveverns.com

Village Bakery & Café at the Armory
145 Culver Rd.
villagebakeries.com

Wintergarden Cafe
1 Bausch and Lomb Pl.
585-481-8205

Ziggy's
127 Railroad St.
ziggysroc.com

EAST SIDE SUBURBS

Black & Blue Steak and Crab
3349 Monroe Ave.
blackandbluesteakandcrab.com

Bumpa's Pizzeria
6 Victor Mendon Rd., Mendon
bumpaspizzeria.com

Carmen's Cooking
1855 Monroe Ave.
carmenscooking.com

Charley Brown's Restaurant
1675 Penfield Rd.
charleybrownspenfield.com

Chick-fil-A
100 Marketplace Dr. Henrietta
585-272-1700
1115 East Ridge Rd., Irondequoit
585-505-6377

Cottage Hotel of Mendon
1390 Pittsford Mendon Rd., Mendon
cottagehotelmendon.com

Dave & Buster's
15 Miracle Mile Dr.
daveandbusters.com

Delmonico's Italian Steakhouse
125 White Spruce Blvd.
delmonicositaliansteakhouse.com

Erie Grill at the Del Monte Lodge
41 North Main St., Pittsford
eriegrill.com

Good Smoke BBQ
135 W Commercial St., East Rochester
goodsmokebbq.com

Horizons at Woodcliff Hotel & Spa
199 Woodcliff Dr.
horizonsmodernkitchen.com

Island Wraps
5152 East River Rd.
West Henrietta
islandwraps2go.com

Jeremiah's Tavern
1175 Jefferson Rd., Henrietta
2164 Fairport Nine Mile Pt. Rd., Fairport
jeremiahstavern.com

Jojo Bistro & Wine Bar
42 East Main St., Webster
60 North Main St. Pittsford
restaurantjojo.com

Label 7 Napa Eatery & Bar
50 State St., Pittsford
labelseven.com

Lovin' Cup Bistro and Brews
300 Park Point Dr. Suite 101
lovincup.com

Marge's Lakeside Inn
4909 Culver Rd.
margeslakesideinn.com

Mendon 64
1369 Pittsford-Mendon Rd., Mendon
mendon64.com

Monroe's Restaurant
3001 Monroe Ave.
monroes3001.com

New York Kitchen
800 South Main St., Canandaigua
nykitchen.com

Next Door by Wegmans
3220 Monroe Ave.
wegmansnextdoor.com

Nocino
8181 Eastview Mall, Victor
eatnocino.com

Nothing Bundt Cakes
720 Jefferson Rd., Henrietta
nothingbundtcakes.com

Nucci's Italian Seafood & Steakhouse
807-A Ridge Rd., Webster
585-347-4961

Old Farm Café
3450 Winton Pl.
theoldfarmcafe.com

Old School Café
196 N. Main St., Naples
oldschoolcafeny.com

Root 31 Café & Eatery
3349 Monroe Ave., Pittsford
root31.com

Simply Crepes
7 Schoen Pl., Pittsford
1229 Bay Rd., Webster
101 South Main St., Canandaigua
simplycrepes.com

Tin Cup Social
25 Parce Ave. Suite 150, Fairport
tincupsocial.com

Union Tavern
4565 Culver Rd.
uniontavernseabreeze.com

Village Bakery & Café
5 State St., Pittsford
44 E. Main St., Webster
816 Eastview Mall, Victor
villagebakeries.com

WEST SIDE SUBURBS

Country Sweet Chicken & Ribs
1600 W. Ridge Rd., Greece
countrysweet.com

Farmer's Creekside Tavern & Inn
1 Main St., Le Roy
farmerscreekside.com

Chef's Catering
1875 North Union St., Spencerport
chefscater.com

Images Restaurant & Bar
1890 Ridge Rd.
585-225-6880

Texas Bar-B-Q Joint
122 S Union St., Spencerport
bbqrochester.com

WINE / BEER / SPIRITS

20 Deep Winery
187 Mendon Ionia Rd., Mendon
20deep.com

Black Button Distilling
1344 University Ave.
blackbuttondistilling.com

Casa Larga Vineyards
2287 Turk Hill Rd., Fairport
casalarga.com

Copper Leaf Brewing
50 State St., Pittsford
(Northfield Common)
copperleafbrewingco.com

Deer Run Winery
3772 West Lake Rd. Geneseo
deerrunwinery.com

Fairport Brewing Company
1044 University Ave.
99 S Main St., Fairport
fairportbrewing.com

Flight Wine Bar Downtown
262 Exchange Blvd.
winebarflight.com

Genesee Brew House
25 Cataract St.
geneseebeer.com

Iron Smoke Distillery
111 Parce Ave.. #56, Fairport
ironsmokedistillery.com

Living Roots Wine & Co.
1255 University Ave.
livingrootswine.com

Once Finger Lakes
655 NY-14, Penn Yan
oncefingerlakes.com

Red White and Brew of Rochester
147 State St.
redwhiteandbrewroc.com

Rohrbach Brewing Company
97 Railroad St.
rohrbachs.com

Sager-Stoneyard Pub
46 Sager Dr.
sagerbeerworks.com

Strangebird
62 Marshall St.
strangebirdbeer.com

Three Heads Brewing
186 Atlantic Ave.
threeheadsbrewing.com

Unwine'd
260 E Broad St.
unwinedroc.com

COFFEE & CONFECTIONS

Abbott's Frozen Custard
4791 Lake Ave.
(various locations)
abbottscustard.com

Gourmet Goodies
415 Commerce Dr., Victor
gourmetgoodiesrochester.com

Hedonist Artisan Chocolates
674 South Ave.
hedonistchocolates.com

Joe Bean Coffee Roasters
565 Blossom Rd.
joebeanroasters.com

Laughing Gull Chocolates
1868 East Main St.
laughinggullchocolates.com

Neutral Ground Coffeehouse
321 Exchange Blvd., Corn Hill
45 Schoen Place, Pittsford
neutralgroundcoffee.com

Pearson's
23 Somerton St.
ilovepearsons.com

Stacy K Floral/Winter Swan Coffee
43 Russell St.
winterswancoffee.com

Stever's Candies
623 Park Ave.
steverscandy.com

Shelly's Sweet Shoppe
624 Titus Ave.
shellyssweetshoppe.com

MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

Bill Gray's
billgrays.com

Chick-fil-A
chickfila.com

DiBella's Subs
dibellas.com

Domino's (locally owned)
dominos.com

Hasbro Game Park at The Strong National Museum of Play

MAJOR ATTRACTIONS

The Total Solar Eclipse may be a once-in-a-lifetime experience, but a return visit to Rochester doesn't need to be a rarity. Rochester hits the spot for a range of tastes—from beverage trails to hiking trails; from a stellar festival lineup to farm-to-table cuisine that's out of this world. Check out some of the major attractions and things to do when you visit Rochester.

George Eastman Museum
900 East Ave., Rochester
eastman.org
The George Eastman Museum is located on the estate of George Eastman, the pioneer of popular photography and motion picture film. It is the world's oldest photography museum and one of the oldest film archives

The Strong National Museum of Play
One Manhattan Square, Rochester
museumofplay.org
One of the largest history museums in the United States. The Strong is home to the most comprehensive collection of play-related artifacts, dozens of interactive exhibits (including an indoor butterfly garden), and the National Toy Hall of Fame and World Video Game Hall of Fame

RMSC Museum & Science Center
657 East Ave., Rochester
rmsc.org
Discover three floors filled with over 200 interactive science and history themed exhibits and science demonstrations at the region's premier museum & science center. Home of the Strasenburgh Planetarium.

National Susan B. Anthony Museum & House
17 Madison St., Rochester
susanb.org
Home of the legendary American civil rights leader, and the site of her famous arrest for voting in 1872.

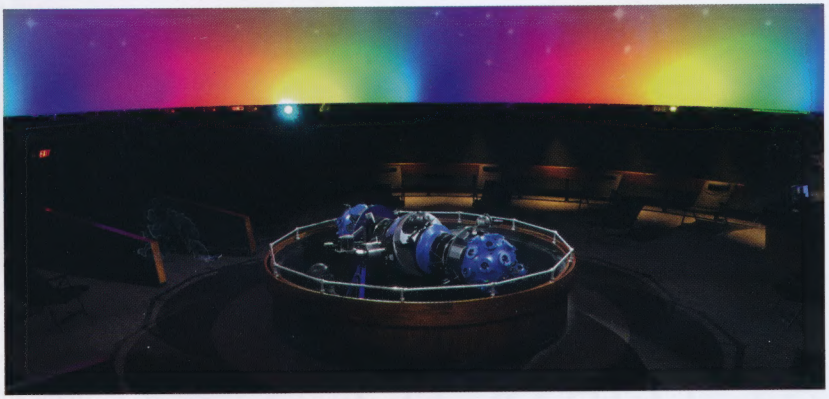
Memorial Art Gallery
500 University Ave., Rochester, mag.rochester.edu
Journey through 5,000 years of human creativity: from the treasures of antiquity to 21st - Century masterworks. The gallery offers a permanent collection of more than 12,000 objects and has been called the best-balanced collection in the state outside of New York City.

Highland Park
171 Reservoir Ave., Rochester
monroecounty.gov/parks-highland
Designed by Frederick Law Olmsted, Highland Park is one of the crown jewels of the Monroe County Parks System. Highland is home to the largest collection of lilacs

Let's Have Tea Statue

George Eastman Museum

Rochester Public Market



RMSC Strasenburgh Planetarium

in North America, in bloom early to mid-May, and the annual Rochester Lilac Festival.

High Falls
Commercial St. and Brown's Race, Rochester
Marvel at the site of a 96-foot waterfall in the center of downtown Rochester. Enjoy striking views of High Falls from the Pont de Rennes pedestrian bridge, or from the rooftop of the Genesee Brew House.

Genesee Brew House
25 Cataract St, Rochester
geneseebeer.com
A beer destination featuring interactive exhibits, multimedia content, gift shop, pilot brewery, and pub-style restaurant. It captures and shares the long history of the Genesee Brewery, one of the largest and oldest continually operating breweries in America.

ArtisanWorks
565 Blossom Rd. # L, Rochester
artisanworks.net
40,000 square feet of a renovated factory building integrates art of all kinds with a collection of more than half a million objects and promotes regional artists through an incubator program.

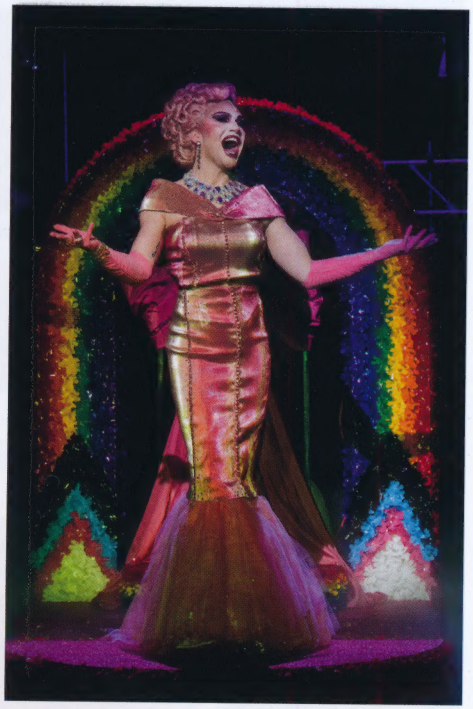
Rochester Public Market, 280 N. Union St., Rochester
cityofrochester.gov/public-market
One of the oldest and largest public markets in the country. Open year-round on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

Erie Canal
Cruises available in Fairport and Pittsford
colonialbelle.com, cornhillnav.org
Enjoy sitting along the tow path and visiting the picturesque communities (Brockport, Spencerport, Fairport, Pittsford, and more) that it runs through. Canal cruises are available on the Colonial Belle or Sam Patch canal boats starting in May.

See more attractions by scannning the QR code below:

Ontario Beach Park

Seabreeze Amusement Park



Geva Theatre, courtesy Ron Heerkens Jr

RETURN TO ROCHESTER

The eclipse is over, and the light has returned. Now that you've experienced Rochester during this once-in-a-lifetime celestial event, we invite you to return again. From the wonders of Lake Ontario and the Finger Lakes to world-class dining and entertainment, Rochester and the surrounding area offers visitors limitless reasons to return.

Art & Culture
Immerse yourself in art at the University of Rochester Memorial Art Gallery (the area's "mini Met") then visit some of the many other galleries around the region. When you're ready take a seat, experience the magic of dance at a Rochester City Ballet performance or at a Garth Fagan—of *Lion King* fame—show. From top-notch musicals presented by the Rochester Broadway Theatre League or Geva Theatre to small and intimate shows at other venues, there is no lack of entertainment and culture here in Rochester.

History
You don't have to be a history buff to appreciate all the important historical moments that happened in Rochester. Come back and visit Susan B. Anthony's home and learn all about the fight for women's rights. Fredrick Douglass called Rochester home for many years and published the North Star right here in the city. But that is only the tip of the iceberg. Come back and learn all about our region's rich and important history.

Food
There is something for everyone's culinary desires when visiting Rochester! We have hundreds of restaurants to satisfy every whim. Foodies can experience everything from high-end dining to rustic farm-to-table fare and everything in-between. Whether you are craving caviar and champagne or the juiciest burger in town, Rochester has you covered

Craft Beverage
Rochester ranks twenty-first in the nation when it comes to craft breweries per capita. It all started with the Genesee Brewing Company in 1878. Today there are breweries, cideries, and dis-

tilleries galore. Don't forget to experience our region's world-famous Finger Lakes wines as well. Take a short drive outside of the city for some of the most beautiful and diverse wine trails in the country.

Outdoor recreation
Hiking and biking and walking, oh my! Rochester and the surrounding area are an outdoor lover's dream vacation. Walk or ride along the many miles of Erie Canal towpath or the Genesee Riverway Trail. Visit the many other nature preserves, parks, and trails, too. And we get plenty of snow for those that enjoy winter sports.

On the Water
Don't forget to pack your swimsuit! If you like to boat, paddle, fish, or swim you're in the right place. Lake Ontario, the Genesee River, and the Finger Lakes offer a variety of water sports and summer leisure.

Shopping
When it comes to shopping, Rochester has it all. The savvy shopper can visit one of our many small boutiques and local gift shops. And don't miss out on a visit to the Rochester Public Market—first opened in 1827—in the heart of the city.

Parks and Gardens
Rochester has earned the nickname "Flower City." It's no surprise then that we have a plethora of parks and gardens including Fredrick Law Olmsted's Genesee Valley Park, Highland Park, Seneca Park, and Maplewood Park. In addition to these historic parks and gardens there are also numerous other lovely parks including Ontario Beach Park on the shores of Lake Ontario and Turning Point Park at the edge of the Genesee River.

Festivals & Events Whether you are into music, art, food, or flowers, Rochester has a festival for you. In fact, we have more than 140 festivals throughout the year! Our most notable ones include the annual Lilac Festival and the International Jazz Festival. If you're here in the fall, you can't miss the world-famous Fringe Festival.

Bring the Family
There is no reason to leave the kids at home. Family-friendly sites include the Strong Museum of Play, the Rochester Museum and Science Center, Seabreeze Amusement Park, the Seneca Park Zoo, and the Genesee Country Village & Museum.

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Our region is known for its food and beverage—enjoy a meal along the historic Erie Canal or visit one of our breweries to discover why we've been called "the northeast's best beer town." We have activities for the whole family, including the world-renowned Strong Museum of Play, the Rochester Museum and Science Center, and Monroe County's own Seneca Park Zoo. Or connect with one of Rochester's trailblazers at the Susan B. Anthony House, the Frederick Douglass Memorial, or the George Eastman Museum.

Thank you for coming and enjoy your stay in Monroe County.

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